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SUBJ: PRIME MINISTER BHUTTO TO VISIT SAUDI ARABIA

1. THE GOP HAS ANNOUNCED THAT PRIME MINISTER BHUTTO WILL PAY AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 1. THE PRIME MINISTER WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENSE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS AZIZ AHMED, FOREIGN SECRETARY AGHA SHAHI AND OTHER OFFICIALS FROM VARIOUS MINISTRIES. THIS WILL BE BHUTTO'S FIRST TRIP ABORAD SINCE HE VISITED RIYADH BRIEFLY IN MARCH FOR THE FUNERAL OF KING FAISAL.

THE GENERAL PURPOSE OF THE VISIT, LONG UNDER CONSIDERATION HERE, IS TO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR BHUTTO TO TOUCH BASE WITH THE NEW LEADERSHIP OF A FELLOW ISLAMIC COUNTRY WHOSE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC SUPPORT IS IMPORTANT FOR PAKISTAN. MORE SPECIFICIALLY,
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BHUTTO WILL BE INTERESTED IN THE POSSIBILITY OF

OBTAINING FRESH SAUDI FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS, INCLUDING
FUNDING BY SAG OF PAK ARMS PURCHASES IN U.S. AND
ELSEWHERE. LEADERS ARE ALSO LIKELY TO DISCUSS
SIGNIFICANCE OF RECENT BANGLADESH COUP AND BHUTTO
MAY BE SOMEWHAT HARD PRESSED TO EXPLAIN WHAT NOW
APPEARS TO BE HIS PREMATURE CALL TO OTHER MUSLIM
COUNTRIES TO FOLLOW PAKISTAN'S HURRIED LEAD IN
RECOGNIZING THE "ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH".
OTHER ISSUES OF CURRENT IMPORTANCE TO THE MUSLIM
WORLD ARE ALSO LIKELY TO FIGURE IN THE TALKS.
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